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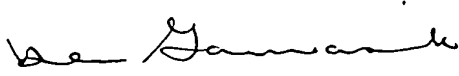
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| V | DESIGNATIONS | | |
| V-1 | The filing of this request constitutes under Rule 4.9(a), the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents. | | |
| VI-1 | Priority claim of earlier national application | | |
| VI-1-1 | Filing date | 17 October 2003 (17.10.2003) | |
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| VII-1 | International Searching Authority Chosen | Canadian Patent Office (ISA/CA) | |
| VIII | Declarations | Number of declarations | |
| VIII-1 | Declaration as to the identity of the inventor | - | |
| VIII-2 | Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to apply for and be granted a patent | - | |
| VIII-3 | Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to claim the priority of the earlier application | - | |
| VIII-4 | Declaration of inventorship (only for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America) | - | |
| VIII-5 | Declaration as to non-prejudicial disclosures or exceptions to lack of novelty | - | |
| IX | Check list | number of sheets | electronic file(s) attached |
| IX-1 | Request (including declaration sheets) | 4 | ✓ |
| IX-2 | Description | 54 | - |
| IX-3 | Claims | 6 | - |
| IX-4 | Abstract | 1 | ✓ |
| IX-5 | Drawings | 23 | - |
| IX-7 | TOTAL | 88 | |
| | Accompanying Items | paper document(s) attached | electronic file(s) attached |
| IX-8 | Fee calculation sheet | ✓ | - |
| IX-17 | PCT-SAFE physical media | - | ✓ |
| IX-19 | Figure of the drawings which should accompany the abstract | 1 | |
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